## INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT

(PCT Article 36 and Rule 70)

Applicant's or agent's file reference BW277R/REPA	FOR FURTHER ACTION	See Notification of Transmittal of International Preliminary Examination Report (Form PCT/IPEA/416)					
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International Patent Classification (IPC) or both national classification and IPC A44C27/00							
Applicant RANCANGELO DI RANCAN DARIO E PIETRO S.N.C. et al.							
1. This international preliminary examination report has been prepared by this International Preliminary Examining Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 36.							
2. This REPORT consists of a total c	2. This REPORT consists of a total of 4 sheets, including this cover sheet.						
been amended and are the l	This report is also accompanied by ANNEXES, i.e. sheets of the description, claims and/or drawings which have been amended and are the basis for this report and/or sheets containing rectifications made before this Authority (see Rule 70.16 and Section 607 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT).						
·	These annexes consist of a total of 6 sheets.						
3. This report contains indications re	lating to the following items:						
I ⊠ Basis of the opinion							
II □ Priority							
III   Non-establishment of o	opinion with regard to novelty,	inventive step and industrial applicability					
IV 🔲 Lack of unity of inventi	on						
V 🖾 Reasoned statement u citations and explanati	V Reasoned statement under Rule 66.2(a)(ii) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement						
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	VII   Certain defects in the international application						
VIII  Certain observations o	n the international application	•					
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i. Basi	s of th	e re	port
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**Description**, Pages

1. With regard to the **elements** of the international application (Replacement sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 are referred to in this report as "originally filed" and are not annexed to this report since they do not contain amendments (Rules 70.16 and 70.17)):

	1, 3	-11	as originally filed
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	1-40	)	received on 04.02.2005 with letter of 02.02.2005
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2.	With lang	n regard to the <b>langu</b> guage in which the int	age, all the elements marked above were available or furnished to this Authority in the ernational application was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.
	The	se elements were av	ailable or furnished to this Authority in the following language: , which is:
		the language of a tra	anslation furnished for the purposes of the international search (under Rule 23.1(b)).
		the language of publ	lication of the international application (under Rule 48.3(b)).
		the language of a tra Rule 55.2 and/or 55.	anslation furnished for the purposes of international preliminary examination (under 3).
3.	Witl inte	n regard to any <b>nucl</b> e rnational preliminary	eotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application, the examination was carried out on the basis of the sequence listing:
		contained in the inte	rnational application in written form.
		filed together with th	e international application in computer readable form.
		furnished subsequer	ntly to this Authority in written form.
		furnished subsequer	ntly to this Authority in computer readable form.
		The statement that t in the international a	he subsequently furnished written sequence listing does not go beyond the disclosure application as filed has been furnished.
		The statement that the listing has been furn	he information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written sequence ished.
4.	The	amendments have r	esulted in the cancellation of:
		the description,	pages:
		the claims,	Nos.:
		the drawings,	sheets:
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5. 🗆	This report has been established as if (some of) the amendments had not been made, since they have
	been considered to go beyond the disclosure as filed (Rule 70.2(c)).

(Any replacement sheet containing such amendments must be referred to under item 1 and annexed to this report.)

- 6. Additional observations, if necessary:
- V. Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
- 1. Statement

Novelty (N) Yes: Claims 1-40

No: Claims

Inventive step (IS) Yes: Claims 1-40

No: Claims

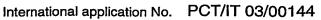
Industrial applicability (IA) Yes: Claims 1-40

No: Claims

2. Citations and explanations

see separate sheet

## INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT - SEPARATE SHEET



- 1. Reference is made to the following document: (D1) US-A-2002/038556.
- Document D1 is considered to represent the most relevant state of the art.
   However, this document does not mention that the pressing step is carried out only at the longitudinal edges and that a lightening compartment remains as defined in claim 1.